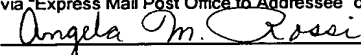



<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>41052/321146</b>
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/552130</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/004261	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 05 April 2004 (05.04.2004)	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 10 April 2003 (10.04.2003)
TITLE OF INVENTION A PROTECTIVE SHIELD AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING SUCH A SHIELD AND A STORAGE BOX		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US BARDEL, Michel		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
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21. The following fees are submitted:					
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$130.00	
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$380.00	\$0.00	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$0.00	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$1,030.00	
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<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$1,030.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 11.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$0.00	
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